

1 AN ACT concerning education.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The School Code is amended by adding Section  
5 2-3.142 as follows:

6 (105 ILCS 5/2-3.142 new)

7 Sec. 2-3.142. School counselor ratio; pilot program.

8 (a) Subject to appropriation, the State Board of Education  
9 shall establish a 4-year pilot program in Limestone Walters  
10 Community Consolidated School District 316, Hutsonville  
11 Community Unit School District 1, and Aurora East Unit School  
12 District 131 to achieve a ratio of high school students to  
13 certified school counselors of 250 to 1. The amount  
14 appropriated in a fiscal year for the pilot program for  
15 Limestone Walters Community Consolidated School District 316,  
16 Hutsonville Community Unit School District 1, and Aurora East  
17 Unit School District 131 must not exceed \$750,000.

18 (b) The State Board of Education shall work with the  
19 Illinois Association for College Admission Counseling and  
20 local counseling directors to compile statistics on the pilot  
21 program established under this Section, such as graduation  
22 rates, college attendance rates, and dropout rates. The State  
23 Board shall report the statistics it has compiled and the State

1 Board's findings and recommendations concerning the pilot  
2 program to the General Assembly 2 years after the pilot program  
3 has been established and 4 years after the pilot program has  
4 been established by filing copies of the report as provided in  
5 Section 3.1 of the General Assembly Organization Act.